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Planning Board Approves Plan For Town Center

The long-prepared Town Center Master Plan for the City of Rockville cleared its first major hurdle on July 31 as the Rockville Planning Commission approved the conceptual plan by a unanimous 7-0 vote.

The master plan faces its next test on September 11 when the Mayor and Council host a public hearing in the Mayor and Council Chambers starting at 7:30 p.m. All citizens are invited to comment on the plan.

Once the plan is approved by the Mayor and Council, the City will move ahead with one of the most ambitious downtown revitalization plans of any Washington area suburban community. Rockville intends to create a Town Center with a combination of retail and office space that will be mixed with residential properties.

A key element of the plan calls for a new Rockville library to be part of the revitalized area near Middle Lane. At this stage, most of the plan is conceptual, but the goal is clear: Development of a downtown that will be a vibrant business area by day and a center of activity after dark.

Prior to its approval of the plan, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on July 18 attended by more than 70 people, including more than 25 who chose to voice opinions.

Before the vote at the July 31 session, Director of Community Planning and Development Services Art Chambers and Chief of Long-Range Planning Jim Wasilak presented proposals that could work toward solutions of those issues.

One issue that remains unsettled in these early stages is whether the public open space in the Town Square area would include green space. Development of the plan likely will determine the outcome.

A permanent site for the Rockville Farmers' Market has yet to be decided, but at a Mayor and Council session earlier in July, Mayor Rose Krasnow assured those concerned that the popular market would always have a place in Rockville as long as the vendors wanted to continue. Her sentiments were echoed by the other members of the Council.

Rockville Spends a **Night Out**

McGruff the Crime Dog was mobbed by children at neighborhood block parties around Rockville on August 7 as the City celebrated the 18th annual National Night Out. Rockville's support of the national program continued to rival any in the Washington metropolitan area with 45 of the City's 53 community associations hosting street parties. Founded as a neighborhood anti-crime effort, Rockville City



Police continue to play a major role, helping citizen associations organize what has become an opportunity for neighbors to get to know each other. Police officers, members of Rockville's Mayor and Council and other members of the City staff attended many of parties.

Go Back to School With Rockville U

September brings back childhood memories of getting new shoes, school supplies and a haircut to prepare for going back to school. But even if your salad days are long gone, your school days do not have to be.

On September 13, the fourth session of Rockville University begins. Openings are available for residents on a first-come basis until filled.

"Rockville U" is a free eight-week Citysponsored course that teaches residents about their local government. Topics include the history of Rockville; form of government; planning and community development; a recreation and parks tour; water treatment facility tour; the police department and more.

The primary goal of Rockville U is to assist in making residents part of a healthy, functioning community. In doing so, the program creates resident awareness and access to community resources; demystifies local government; humanizes public services; provides networking opportunities among residents, neighborhoods, and City officials and staff; and cultivates new civic leaders.

'We recognize that while those of us who are involved in Rockville's government, ei-

ther as employees or elected officials, have a good understanding of what it takes to keep a city such as ours performing at the highest level, most of our residents don't have any sense of what is involved," said Mayor Rose G. Krasnow.

Classes will take place on Thursdays from 7 to 9:30 p.m. or on Saturday mornings. Any resident 16 and older is welcome.

'We encourage anyone who is interested in learning about City government, is curious about the dynamics of their community, likes hands-on learning, and enjoys having fun to sign up," said Neighborhood Resource Coordinator Dwayne Jenkins, who coordinates Rockville University.

There are 58 graduates from Rockville U's first three sessions.

"It was a great experience," said Monica Barberis-Young, a Rockville University alum. "Rockville University really opened my eyes to all aspects of how the City works and all the services that I just take for granted. It also gave me a clearer picture of how I fit into the community and helped me figure out how and where I could put my talents to work to make my hometown a better place."

Calendar of Events

City Events

Farmers' Market; Middle Lane parking lot;

3 Labor Day; City Hall

9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Glenview Mansion Art Gallery Exhibit Opening: 1-4 p.m.; Dominie Nash (art quilts), Ann Stein (steel and wood sculptures), Ellyn Weiss (oil and chalk pastel drawings); Runs September 4-October 2; Artist talk, September 13, 7:30 p.m.; Guided gallery tour, September 14, 10 a.m. Free.

5,12,19,26 Farmers' Market, Middle Lane parking lot; 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

6,7,8 Victorian Lyric Opera Company; 8 p.m.; A Gilbert & Sullivan Drawing Room at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre; \$12 general admission, \$10 youth. For tickets call 301-545-5660.

8,9 Victorian Lyric Opera Company; 2 p.m.; A Gilbert & Sullivan Drawing Room at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre; \$12 general admission, \$10 youth. For tickets call 301-545-5660.

Rockville Little Theatre:

8 p.m.; The Lion in Winter at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre; \$12 general admission. For tickets call 301-545-5660.

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Searches Begin for New Heads of Police, Community Services

The search process has started to find a new Police Chief and a new Neighborhood and Community Services Director to replace Chief Terrance N. Treschuk, who held both positions. Replacing the much-respected Treschuk is not going to be an easy task.

"It would be next to impossible to find someone either qualified for, or interested in. serving as both Rockville's Police Chief and Director of Neighborhood and Community Services," said City Manager W. Mark Pentz.

"Terry Treschuk was a very unique individual, and...we knew that if Terry ever left, it would be unlikely that we could find a successor capable of doing both jobs."

To fill the Police Chief position, Pentz said he is looking for someone of unquestioned integrity who possesses outstanding leadership skills, is committed to community-oriented policing and is very citizenand neighborhood-oriented.

The search will be nationwide, and a

citizen panel will be used as part of the interviewing process.

The new Director of Neighborhood and Community Services, who will be responsible for youth and family outreach/intervention programs, the City's Neighborhood Resources Program, and the Community Enhancement/Code Enforcement Program, is expected to be hired by late autumn. 💎

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Rockville Concert Band; 3 p.m.; F.
Scott Fitzgerald Theatre.
Free. Call 301-309-3340.

30 Spirit of Rockville. See article bottom of this page.



Imagine Rockville

Town Center Action Team; 7 p.m.; Red Brick Courthouse, Room 105

To join an Imagine Rockville Action team or to find out about meetings, call 301-315-6556 or visit the City's Web site at www.ci.rockville.md.us.

For Seniors

5 Birthday Party; 1:30-3 p.m.; Entertainment; Sponsored by Marge Carter. Free. Register by August 29. Activity #662

11,18,25

Carnation Players Star Search; 3-4 p.m.; Tuesdays through December 11. Free. Register by September 4. Activity #1197.

Reader's Group; 7-8 p.m.; Discussion on Girl with the Pearl Earring. Free. Activity #1266.

Autumn Glory Centerpiece; 1-3 p.m.; \$18 members/\$23 nonmembers; Register by September 6. Activity #1209.

Classical Music Appreciation: The Sounds of Nature; 1-2:30 p.m. Free. Register by September 12. Activity #1260.

Rockville's Millennium Antique Car Show Discussion; 1:30-2:30 p.m. Free. Register by September 17. Activity #252.

Group Piano, all levels; September 24-November 6; See the Recreation Guide for times and activities numbers; \$45 members/\$57 non-members; Register by September 17.

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City Projects U*P*D*A*T*E

Recreation and Parks

HUNGERFORD

Elwood Smith Community Center • Construction underway • completion in fall • will include general renovations, accessibility upgrades, added meeting/activities room, restroom renovations, storage and roof replacement • add security lighting in parking lot

Dawson Farm Park • Replacement of the existing wooden bridge • addition of interpretive historical signs and artwork • partial reconstruction of the original granary • completion in spring 2002

MONTROSE

Montrose Community Center • Undergoing a renovation and modernization starting December 2001• includes a new roof, more windows, a new awning and additional storage space, for both inside and outside of the facility • the center, which will be closed during construction, will reopen in spring 2002

TWINBROOK

Street Tree Replacement • Ongoing multiyear project • includes removing and replacing trees deemed hazardous, in major decline, or severely damaged by utilities

KING FARM

King Farm Park • Construction underway on 12-acre site • includes basketball and tennis courts, soccer and baseball fields, and picnic and open areas • completion in fall 2001

GENERAL PROJECTS

Beall-Dawson Historical Park • Realign and replace brick walkways to correct safety issues • create a dooryard on northwest side of the house • install period lighting

Millennium Trail • Construction on path along Wootton Parkway from Falls Road to Darnestown Road to be completed in September • Norbeck Road path from East Gude Drive to Veirs Mill Road in design with construction scheduled for 2002 • resurface path along Wootton Parkway from Edmonston Drive to Falls Road scheduled for 2002

Parks Topographical, Tree and Boundary Survey • 95 percent complete with the exception of RedGate Golf Course, which will be completed by September 2001 • project provides updated information for planning, asset inventory and maintenance operations I-270/Route 28 Bike/Pedestrian Bridge •
Separate bridge parallel to Route 28 on south side across I-270 • to connect Hurley Avenue and Nelson Street bikeways • under design

Croydon Creek Nature Center • Located at Rockville Civic Center Park • construction underway, with completion in October and opening in November

Rockville Senior Center • Expand dining room • soundproof card and computer rooms • renovate kitchen • planning to begin in fall 2001, construction in winter 2002

Playground Equipment Improvements • Replace equipment at Lone Oak and Welsh Parks during summer 2001 • replace equipment at Isreal Park, Dogwood Park upper play area, and Broome Park • planning and design in fall 2001, construction in winterspring 2002

RedGate Golf Course-Bunker Renovation Project • Design phase completed • scheduled for bidding in September 2001

City Hall Expansion • Includes construction of a new wing and renovations to the existing building to accommodate overcrowding and future staff • plan includes a new entrance on Maryland Avenue • will allow for technology and energy upgrades • parking demand reduction strategies being implemented • in the design and engineering phase

Athletic Courts • Recolor the basketball courts at Broome, College Gardens, Croydon, Dogwood, Elwood Smith, Monument, and Orchard RidgePark and the Senior Center

Gude Drive Maintenance Facility • Replace salt dome • relocate material storage yard and salt box hangers • create new entrance to complex • improve offices • install stormwater management (SWM)

CALL **301-309-3330** FOR MORE INFO

Public Works

TOWN CENTER

Maryland Avenue Extension • Roadway design specifications to extend Maryland Avenue from Middle Lane to Beall Avenue • currently on hold • orientation analysis being conducted

EAST ROCKVILLE

Horners Lane Water Tank Removal • Construction began in August • Recreation and

Parks working with neighborhoods to determine use of land

Highland Avenue • Construction to begin in the fall after Horners Lane tank removal project is primarily completed • replace gravel road with curb, gutter and asphalt roadway

WEST END

Great Falls Road Project • Utility relocation work underway • includes bike path, curb and gutter and safety improvements

GENERAL PROJECTS

Water Main Work • Will strengthen water distribution system and improve fire flows on Chapman Avenue and Jefferson Street • main to be replaced later this year • cleaning and lining project on Route 355 (Middle Lane to North Washington Street) bid was awarded in July • work began in August

Baltimore Road • Adding on-street parking, curb and gutter, traffic calming measures and bike path sidewalk between First Street and Broadwood Drive • Phase I will take place in fall 2001 • upgrading existing bike path between Gladstone Drive and city limits • prioritized due to availability of State funds

Wootton Parkway Improvements • New traffic signal and an extra turn lane on Scott Drive at Wootton Parkway to separate right and left turn movements • modify the intersection of Wootton Parkway and Glen Mill Road so Wootton Parkway continues straight to Darnestown Road, with Glen Mill Road stopping at Wootton Parkway • funding for widening Wootton Parkway has been deferred until fiscal years 2005-2007 • the speed limit in front of the high school will be lowered to 25 miles per hours, 24 hours a day • modifications will take place in next six months

Asphalt Program • All milling is complete • approximately 70 percent of asphalt overlay completed • to be completed by September

Mount Vernon SWM • Improve Cabin John Creek with modifications to existing stormwater managemnt • sanitary sewer to be replaced and enlarged

Cabin John Sanitary Sewer • Design began this summer for upgrading the portion of the sewer south of Wootton Parkway • construction in summer 2002

CALL **301-309-3220** FOR MORE INFO

Celebrate Cultural Diversity at the Spirit of Rockville Festival

Where can you learn about the variety of cultures in Rockville, taste foods from around the world, be entertained by international music, dance and games, and more? It is all happening at the fourth annual Spirit of Rockville Festival, hosted by the Mayor and Council. The event will take place on Saturday, September 30, from 1 to 5 p.m. at Rockville Civic Center Park. Admission is free.

"The City holds this event each year to celebrate and embrace the many heritages that make Rockville a dynamic community," said Rockville's Special Events Coordinator Mike Henry.

New this year is the Russian-American Kids Circus with acrobatics, tight-rope walking, juggling, unicycles and clowning. Children of all ages will have the opportunity to try these skills during a one-hour workshop put on by the Kids Circus.

Other activities include a performance by Jeff Ball, who blends the solo flute, a smooth jazz ensemble and Native American spoken words and chants. Simple Gifts, a band of three women playing 12 instruments, will perform a variety of ethnic music from Eastern Europe, Scandinavia, the British Isles and Appalachia. The group also will conduct a workshop to give participants a close look at all of the instruments they play.

Crafts, games for kids, lots of entertainment and a potpourri of foods will make the day complete.

"Spirit of Rockville is fun, exciting and entertaining," said Henry. "With all of the activities planned, you can't help but learn something about the people who make up our city and give it a special international flavor."

CALL **301-309-3330** FOR MORE INFO

In Brief

2001 F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference

Join the City of Rockville at the Sixth Annual F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference on Saturday, September 22. Ernest J. Gaines, author of *The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman, A Lesson Before Dying,* and *A Gathering of Old Men,* will receive the annual F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Award. The presentation of the award and his reading will cap off the conference at Montgomery College's Rockville Campus.

Other highlights include panel discussions on topics including *Other than Fitzgerald—American Writers of the 1920s and 1930s* and *The Many Voices of American Literature*. There will be a screening of *A Lesson Before Dying* and remarks by Gaines. Other activities scheduled are a premiere screening of the 2000 BBC documentary *Midnight at Manhattan* and workshops on fiction, children's literature, poetry, playwriting, and screenwriting.

Discounts available for those who register before September 14. Call for pricing.

CALL **301-309-9461** FOR MORE INFO

"Bearly" Used Flea Market

On Saturday, September 22, 2001, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., the Twinbrook Community Recreation Center will be conducting its "Bearly" Used Sale—Children's Flea Market featuring gently used child-related items. Admission is free, and the event will take place rain or shine.

Sellers also are needed. For a fee of \$10, sellers receive an 8' x 8' space with two chairs. Tables are available for an additional \$5 and must be reserved at time of registration. The deadline for pre-registration is September 20.

CALL **301-315-5760** FOR MORE INFO

Quit Smoking for Good

Join the City of Rockville's Freedom from Smoking program and quit smoking for good.

This seven-week program focuses on healthy lifestyles and supporting the smoker emotionally and physically in kicking the habit. The program will take place on Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. at 32 Courthouse Square. Call for starting dates. A \$50 fee covers the cost of materials.

CALL **301-309-3077** FOR MORE INFO

Ballet Instructors Needed

The City's Recreation and Parks Department needs part-time pre-ballet instructors to teach 3 to 6 year-olds. Classes take place on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and weekdays from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Salary begins at \$17 per hour, based on experience.

CALL 301-309-3236 FOR MORE INFO

Mentors and Tutors Needed

Rockville is seeking mentors and tutors for local students. About an hour a week is all that is needed. Mentoring requires a one-year commitment, and tutoring occurs on an as-needed basis.

CALL 301-309-3077 FOR MORE INFO

Perry and Nealy Win at Rockville Open

Hats off to Bob Perry and Gary Nealy, the winners of the 32nd Annual Rockville Open and City Golf Championship.

The event, sponsored by Soft Spikes and Advantage Electric, took place on July 13 and 14 at Rockville's RedGate Municipal Golf Course.

Many thanks to the following for donating prizes: Arena Stage, Glenview Mansion, Gold's Gym, Hinode Restaurant, Hooter's,

Houston's of Rockville, Ma's Kettle,
National Chamber Orchestra, O'Brien's
Pit Barbeque, Olney Theater, Outback
Steakhouse, Outta the Way Cafe, Peerless Rockville, Rockville Arts Place,
Rockville Florist, Round House Theater,
Timpano's Restaurant, Vace Italian

Deli, and Willie & Reeds of Bethesda.

Blood Needed

Your help is needed to support an urgent call for blood at area hospitals. The Blood Mobile will be at City Hall on Wednesday, September 12, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. All capable citizens are urged to give blood. Stop in or call for an appointment.

CALL **301-309-3324** FOR MORE INFO

Mediation Training

The Rockville Community Mediation Program, with the Rockville Human Rights Commission, will sponsor a 40-hour mediation training from October 24 to 28 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This training, open to City of Rockville citizens only, qualifies participants to act as volunteer mediators for the City. During this highly interactive, experiential training, citizens will learn reflective listening, ways to deal with conflict, collaborative conflict resolution tools and other skills to enrich your professional and personal life.

Trainees must attend all days to receive a course certificate of completion. The fee for the training is \$100. Registration ends on October 1.

CALL 301-309-3308 FOR MORE INFO

Free Performance by Rockville Concert Band

Under the direction of Dr. Vincent Patterson, the Rockville Concert Band will perform a free concert at 3 p.m. on Sunday, September 23, at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre.

Glenview Mansion Needs You

Glenview Mansion opens its doors for all to see the holiday decorations beginning the first Sunday in December and is looking for groups or organizations interested in decorating a space. Help celebrate the holiday season by helping out.

The Glenview Mansion also is looking for volunteers to act as greeters during the day, Monday through Friday. Hours would vary depending on events scheduled.

CALL 301-309-3001 FOR MORE INFO

2001 Election Reminder

The 2001 Rockville Mayor and Council election will take place on Tuesday, November 6. Please take note that some polling places have changed since the 1999 election. More information about these changes and the upcoming election will be available in future issues of *Rockville Reports*, on The Rockville Channel, and on the City's Web site at www.ci.rockville.md.us.

CALL **301-309-3310** FOR MORE INFO

Off-Leash Testing

The City's Neighborhood Services Division of Animal Control will conduct its Off-Leash Testing on Saturday, September 22, 2001, at 10 a.m., in the Middle Lane parking lot. Call in advance to register.

CALL **301-309-3115** FOR MORE INFO

225th County Birthday Celebrated September 9

This year, Rockville is celebrating the 200th anniversary of its naming. On Sunday, September 9, the city will host Montgomery County's 225th birthday party.

The Montgomery County Historical Society and the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission will host the annual birthday party Sunday, September 9, from 12 noon to 5 p.m., at Beall-Dawson Historical Park at 103 West Montgomery Avenue in Rockville.

The special day will include a variety of free activities and, of course, a birthday cake.

CALL **301-762-1492** FOR MORE INFO

Para Ud.

Festival Anual de Spirit Of Rockville

¿Dónde es que puede aprender sobre las diferentes culturas que hay en Rockville, probar comidas del mundo entero, y disfrutar música y bailes internacionales? Todo esto y mucho más esta previsto para el cuarto festival anual de Spirit of Rockville, organizado por la alcaldía de la Ciudad de Rockville.

El evento tomará lugar el sábado, 30 de septiembre, de 1 a 5 p.m. en el parque del Rockville Civic Center, 603 Edmonston Drive, y la entrada es gratis. Habrá artesanía, juegos para los niños, mucho entretenimiento, y platos de todos los países. Para más información, llame al 301-309-3330.

CALL **301-309-3357** FOR MORE INFO



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Reconnecting the Environment; 7-8:30 p.m. Free. Register by September 18. Activity #1222.

Activities take place at the Rockville Senior Center, 1150 Carnation Drive, unless noted. For more information, call 301-309-3025. All programs with an activity number require an in-person or mail-in registration, or register using Rock Enroll.

For Teens

Robert Frost Teen Club Dance; Grades 7 and 8: 7:30 to 10 p.m. at Robert Frost Middle School Gymnasium; \$2 for Teen Club members, \$5 for non-members, payable at the door.

Robert Frost Teen
Club Dance; Grade 6; 7:30
to 10 p.m. at Robert Frost
Middle School Gymnasium;
\$2 for Teen Club members,
\$5 for non-members, payable at the door.

Wednesdays: Montrose Teen Activity Center is open for grades 6 to 12 from 6 to 9 p.m. Free. Billiards, ping pong, video games, foosball, snack bar, and more!

For more information, call Rockville's Teen Program Coordinator at 301-309-3345.

Bikeways: Help Keep Rockville Clean

The City of Rockville wants residents to enjoy a clean and safe outdoors.

As you bike or walk through the city, help keep our neighborhoods clean and obstacle free. If you see any glass or debris on the sidewalks/ paths, or fallen tree branches that are in the way, please call the City's Recreation and Parks Department at 301-315-5796 so the debris can be removed.





September Program Schedule

REGULAR PROGRAMS

Mayor and Council Live September 10, 7:30 p.m. General Session September 11 (Tuesday), 7:30 p.m., **Public Hearing** September 24, 7:30 p.m. **General Session**

Meeting Replays

Monday, 7:30 p.m. (if no live meeting) Sunday and Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Daily, 1 a.m. and 3 p.m. Sunday and Saturday, 9 a.m.

City Hall Report

Daily, 6 a.m., 8 a.m., noon, 6 p.m., and 10 p.m.

Daily, 6:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., and 12:30 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 9:30 p.m.

Mayor and Council Review

Daily, 7:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m., and 10:30 p.m.

SPECIALS

Community Mediation

Daily, 1:30 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 8:30 a.m. Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m.

Online Frontier

Daily, 7 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 11:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m

Economic Development

Daily, 7 a.m., 1 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 8 p.m.

Air Quality Codes

Daily, 7:15 a.m. Sunday-Tuesday, 11:30 p.m.

Responsive and Responsible: Rockville **City Government**

Daily, 2:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, 11 a.m. Wed.-Sat., 7:30 p.m.

Caregivers

Daily, 2 p.m., 11 p.m. Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 9 p.m.

Trees in Rockville Monday-Friday, 10:30 a.m.

Inside City Hall

Meetings, Minutes, etc.

Mayor and Council Meetings

September 10: General Session September 11 (Tues.): Public Hearing September 18 (Tues.): Public Hearing (tent.) September 24: General Session

All meetings, unless noted, are in the Mayor and Council Chambers, Rockville City Hall, 111 Maryland Avenue, at 7:30 p.m. General sessions and public hearings are televised live on The Rockville Channel (Ch. 11). Meetings are replayed at 7:30 p.m. on Mondays if there is no live meeting scheduled; Sundays and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays at 9 a.m.; and daily at 1 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Mayor and Council **Drop-In**

The Mayor and one member of the Council are available to meet with residents on a drop-in basis in the Mayor and Council office at City Hall from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Mondays when there is a General Session or a Public Hearing. The front door of City Hall will remain open during this time.

> **September 10: Councilmember Anne Robbins** September 18 (Tues.): **Councilmember Bob Wright** September 24: **Councilmember Bob Dorsey**

Minutes Highlights

From the July 9 and 23 meetings: The Mayor and Council:

- Awarded a contract to APEX of Rockville for \$81,250 for engineering services
- Approved Fairfax County Contract No. RQ01-411313-16 to Trendway Corp. and Haworth, Inc. of Holland, Mich., in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 annually for miscellaneous office furniture
- Awarded Montgomery County Contract 1506000126 to F.O. Day Bituminous Company of Rockville for \$50,000 for bituminous concrete for roadway maintenance
- Approved U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance Contract No. 57141 to W.W. Grainger, Inc. of Los Angeles, Calif., in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 for industrial/commercial products
- Awarded third modification to Bid No. 53-98 to C&C Landscaping of Damascus in the amount of \$15,422 to provide trees and shrubs for Falls Road bikeway
- · Awarded modification of Bid No. 99-99 for FY 2001 and awarded a third-year option for FY 2002 to Enviro-Organic Tech of New Windsor, Md., in the amount of \$3,500 in FY 2001 and \$25,000 in FY 2002 for sludge hauling and disposal at fixed-unit pricing
- Approved a three-month extension to the current contract for Bid No. 01-01, Concrete Maintenance, and a third amendment to PO 24172 to Romano Concrete Construction of Silver Spring for \$250,000 for concrete maintenance and construction
- Awarded Bid No. 75-01 to J. Fletcher Creamer and Son, Inc. of Hackensack, N.J., in the amount of \$266,900 for water main

cleaning and lining on Hungerford Drive

- · Awarded RFP No. 77-01 to Parking Management, Inc. of Washington, D.C., for \$750 per month for parking lot management services at the Middle Lane parking lot
- Awarded Bid No. 06-02 to Santosh, Inc. of College Park for \$73,920.85 for improvements to park sidewalks, fences, pathways and parking lots and preventative maintenance on existing athletic courts
- Awarded Bid No. 08-02 to Comprint of Gaithersburg in the amount of \$22,478 for the printing of Rockville Reports
- Awarded telephone system maintenance to Fortran Communications Systems of Newington, Va., for \$25,093.53
- Authorized staff to file an Historic District Sectional Map Amendment Application to rezone 0.68 acres of land located at 1205 Martins Lane (Haiti Cemetery) from the R-60 zone to R-60 Historic District zone
- · Authorized staff to file an Historic District Sectional Map Amendment Application to rezone 26.64 acres of land located at 1350 Baltimore Road (Rockville Cemetery) from the R-90 zone to R-90 Historic District zone
- Appointed Elizabeth Rodgers chair of the Historic District Commission until July 1,
- Approved the designation of a Community Legacy Area and application and receipt of financing for a Community Legacy Project
- · Adopted the Cabin John Sewer Study and the Watts Branch Watershed Study and Management Plan
- · Modified Bid No. 61-01 to Frederick Ward Associates, Inc. of Columbia, Md., for \$23,192.47 for upgrading City Park Boundary, Topography and Tree Inventory Information at RedGate Municipal Golf Course
- · Awarded Bid No. 66-01 to Concrete General, Inc. of Gaithersburg for \$83,919 for Highland Avenue road improvements and to Rustler Construction, Inc. of Herndon for \$179,065 for construction of Avery Road right turn lane
- Approved Arlington County Contract No. 188-00 to Waco, Inc. of Accokeek, Md., in the amount of \$130,000 for lead abatement services at Glenview Mansion
- Approved an easement to Washington Gas Company of Springfield, Va., in Woottons Mill Park to allow connection of electric power to cathodic protection rectifier
- Awarded Second Option Year of IFB No. 11-00 to Lighting Maintenance, Inc. of Rockville in the amount of \$170,200 for street light maintenance
- · Adopted an ordinance to authorize the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2001, in an amount not to exceed \$6,500,000. Bond will finance the construction of various projects pursuant to the City's capital improvements program and pay the costs of issuing the bonds.

Vacancies

If interested in a current opening, contact the City Clerk's Office at 301-309-3310.

Cultural Arts Commission (two vacancies):

This 11-member commission encourages the arts and culture in the city for the benefit of citizens. Members recommend appropriate programs, activities and utilization policies of the City facilities, which will add to the further development of Rockville as a cultural center. They serve two-year terms.

Landlord/Tenant Affairs Commission (atlarge commissioner):

This seven-member commission is comprised of two landlords, two tenants, and three people from the citizenry at large. The commission provides a forum for adjudicating differences or disputes between landlords and tenants. Terms are for three years.

Science, Technology and Environment -**STEC** (four vacancies):

This 12-member commission provides the $\,$ City with expert assistance regarding science, technology and the environment. The commission provides Mayor and Council with technical input on matters relating to science, engineering, the environment, energy efficiency, watershed protection, noise and light pollution and public health. STEC has identified three specific areas of focus: exploring the possibility for a center in Rockville, or other possible mechanisms to showcase local biotechnology and high-tech innovations in science, business and education; promoting excellence in science and education for Rockville's students, teachers and citizens; and investigating how Rockville might adopt a "sustainability framework" to sustain and improve the quality of life for Rockville's citizens, businesses and government. Members serve three-year terms.

Boards & Commissions Meetings

All meetings at City Hall unless noted September 5, 7:30 p.m. **Cultural Arts Commission**

September 8, 9 a.m.

Board of Appeals

September 11, 7:30 p.m.

Human Services Advisory Commission (at 32 Courthouse Square)

September 11, 7:30 p.m.

Science, Technology and Environment September 12 and 26, 7:30 p.m.

Planning Commission

September 18, 7 p.m. **Historic District Commission**

September 19, 6:30 p.m.

Rockville Housing Enterprises (at 14 Moore Drive)

September 18, 1:15 p.m.

Rockville Seniors Inc. (at Senior Center) September 20, 5 p.m.

Board of Supervisors of Elections September 20, 7:30 p.m.

Sister City Corporation

September 25, 5:30 p.m.

Landlord/Tenant Affairs **September 25, 7:30 p.m.**

Traffic and Transportation

September 26, 7:30 p.m.

Human Rights Commission

September 27, 10 a.m.

Senior Commission (at Senior Center)

September 27, 7 p.m.

Recreation and Park Advisory Board (at Rockville Swim Center)